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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT MAKARIOS TO PRESIDENT CARTER
RE CLIFFORD MISSION

1. FONMIN DIRGEN PELAGHIAS PASSED FOLLOWING LETTER TO US AT
1700 LOCAL MARCH 1 FOR TRANSMISSION TO PRESIDENT CARTER.
TEST FOLLOWS.

"NICOSIA, 1ST MARCH, 1977

"DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

"I WAS DEEPLY TOUCHED BY THE MESSAGE WHICH YOU KINDLY SENT
ME THROUGH YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, THE HONORABLE CLARK M.
CLIFFORD. THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS ARE
GRATEFUL FOR YOUR PERSONAL CONCERN ABOUT CYPRUS AND THE
WILLINGNESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO HELP TOWARDS AN
EQUITABLE SOLUTION TO OUR PROBLEM. MR. CLIFFORD'S
VISIT WAS WELCOMED AS EVIDENCE OF THIS KEEN INTEREST.

"WE EXPRESSED TO MR. CLIFFORD FRANKLY AND OPENLY OUR
VIEWS ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM AND ON THE
WAY IN WHICH WE CONSIDER THAT A JUST AND LASTING
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SOLUTION CAN BEST BE ACHIEVED. I TRUST THAT OUR TALKS
WITH MR. CLIFFORD WILL CONTRIBUTE POSITIVELY TOWARDS
THE EFFORTS FOR AN AGREED SETTLEMENT. I CAN ASSURE
YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, THAT WE SHALL GO TO THE FORTHCOMING
NEGOTIATIONS IN VIENNA WITH EVERY GOOD WILL, PREPARED
TO PUT ON THE TABLE CONCRETE AND CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS
ON ALL ISSUES, HOPING THAT THE OTHER SIDE WILL DO THE

SAME.

"I SHOULD LIKE TO RECORD OUR HIGH APPRECIATION FOR THE CLARITY, SINCERITY AND ABILITY WITH WHICH MR. CLIFFORD CARRIED OUT HIS MISSION IN CYPRUS AND TO SAY HOW HAPPY WE WERE TO RECEIVE HIM. WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT MR. CLIFFORD'S FINDINGS WILL BE MOST CONSTRUCTIVE IN SHAPING YOUR DECISIONS AS TO THE BEST WAY IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES CAN HELP TOWARDS A SETTLEMENT.

"WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE POLICY CONCLUSIONS WHICH YOU WILL REACH ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WILL BE IMBUED WITH THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES TO WHICH YOUR ADMINISTRATION IS DEDICATED, AND WHICH HAVE CREATED A NEW SPIRIT OF HOPE AMONG THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS AND THE WHOLE WORLD.

"PLEASE ACCEPT, ME. PRESIDENT, THE ASSURANCE OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION AND ESTEEM. I PRAY THAT GOD BESTOW HIS BLESSINGS UPON YOU AND STRENGTHEN YOU IN YOUR GREAT TASK FOR THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD.

WITH MY BEST WISHES,
ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC"

2. SIGNED LETTER WILL BE TRANSMITTED BY NEXT POUCH.
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